SENATE BILL 1140 By Cooper

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 55; Title 43, Chapter 36; Title 47, Chapter 31; Title 47, Chapter 18, Part 20 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 26, relative to the tobacco master settlement agreement.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 9-4-5502, is amended by deleting the section in it entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

§9-4-5502.

- (a) There is hereby created an agricultural fund committee to be composed of nine (9) members as follows:
 - (1) The state treasurer;
 - (2) The secretary of state;
 - (3) The comptroller of the treasury;
 - (4) One (1) member of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the speaker of the house to serve a two-year term which coincides with such member's term of office as a member of the house:
 - (5) One (1) member of the senate, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate to serve a four-year term which coincides with such member's term of office as a member of the senate; and
 - (6) Four (4) members to be appointed by the governor to serve a fouryear term.
- (b) On a continuing basis, such committee shall make recommendations to the general assembly regarding uses and expenditure of funds in the agricultural reserve

account and future payments, if any, received pursuant to the master settlement agreement entered into by Tennessee and other states, United States territories and possessions, and participating tobacco manufacturers, dated November 23, 1998.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 9-4-5503, is amended by deleting the section in it entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

§9-4-5503.

- (a) There is hereby created a health fund committee to be composed of nine (9) members as follows:
 - (1) The state treasurer;
 - (2) The secretary of state;
 - (3) The comptroller of the treasury;
 - (4) One (1) member of the house of representatives, to be appointed by the speaker of the house to serve a two-year term which coincides with such member's term of office as a member of the house:
 - (5) One (1) member of the senate, to be appointed by the speaker of the senate to serve a four-year term which coincides with such member's term of office as a member of the senate; and
 - (6) Four (4) members to be appointed by the governor to serve a fouryear term.
- (b) On a continuing basis, such committee shall make recommendations to the general assembly regarding uses and expenditure of funds in the health reserve account and future payments, if any, received pursuant to the master settlement agreement entered into by Tennessee and other states, United States territories and possessions, and participating tobacco manufacturers, dated November 23, 1998.

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SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 43-36-103, is amended by deleting subdivision (7) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(7) One (1) distinguished citizen who is actively involved in agriculture, to be appointed by the governor.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.

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